

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5-8, 15-19, and 22 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claim 1 is amended to clarify the claim language. No new matter is added. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

The courtesies extended to Applicant's representative by Examiner Nguyen at the interview held on May 15, 2006, are appreciated. The reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action are incorporated into the remarks below and constitute Applicant's record of the interview.

Entry of the amendments is proper under 37 CFR §1.116 since the amendments: (a) place the application in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein; (b) do not raise any new issue requiring further search and/or consideration as the amendments amplify issues previously discussed throughout prosecution; and (c) place the application in better form for appeal, should an appeal be necessary. The amendments are necessary and were not earlier presented because they are made in response to arguments raised in the final rejection. Entry of the amendments is thus respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-8, 15-19, and 22 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over Iwafuchi (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0096994). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

Specifically, Applicant asserts that Iwafuchi fails to disclose a method of manufacturing an electro-optical device, the method including at least the steps of forming a plurality of chips each of which includes a drive circuit on a first substrate, a plurality of first connection terminals being formed on a same face of each of the plurality of chips, forming wires for connecting one of the plurality of chips with a plurality of pixel electrodes, wherein the plurality of pixel electrodes are formed on a second substrate, and transferring at least one

of the plurality of chips from the first substrate onto the second substrate, as recited in independent claim 1.

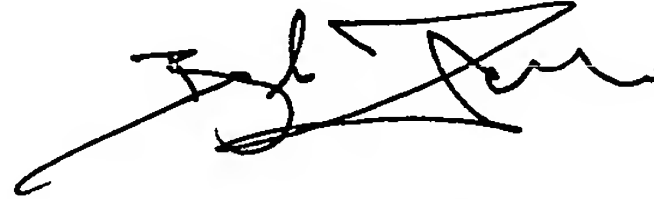
In contrast, Iwafuchi, in paragraphs [0176]-[0184] with reference to Figs. 5-12, discloses forming electrodes 55 and 56 on a light emitting device which is located on a sapphire substrate 51, then transferring the light emitting device including the electrodes to a temporary holding board 60, and then with an attracting jig 70, transferring the light emitting device including the electrodes to a wiring board 80. Thus, Iwafuchi fails to disclose a method of manufacturing an electro-optical device including at least the steps of forming a plurality of chips each of which includes a drive circuit on a first substrate, forming wires for connecting one of the plurality of chips with a plurality of pixel electrodes, wherein the plurality of pixel electrodes are formed on a second substrate, and transferring at least one of the plurality of chips from the first substrate onto the second substrate, as recited in independent claim 1.

In accordance with the above remarks, Applicant submits that independent claim 1 defines patentable subject matter. Claims 2-3, 5-8, 15-19, and 22 depend from claim 1, and therefore, also define patentable subject matter, as well as for the additional features they recite. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the §102(b) rejection.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-3, 5-8, 15-19, and 22 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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